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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
E. THIBAUT et al
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For: METHOD...PROCESS

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AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the office action of December 5, 2001, please
amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (amended) A process for the processing of information
used for the management of quality in a therapeutic process,
comprising the steps of taking cells (PR) from a patient (PA),
specific treatment operations on these cells using a specific
treatment protocol, and a reinjection operation into the patient of
said cells so treated, the steps of taking cells, treating and
reinjection being subjected to a standard operating procedure for
preparation (SOP) comprising a series of functional steps
comprising for each batch of samples taken from a given patient:

- for each functional step, a step of sequential and
conditional validation (VA) by processing of data collected of
said step, the passing from one validation step to the following
validation step being conditional on the results of the processing